



# TOKEN HUNTER



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of Tokens and Medals



## OCTOBER



October brings the harvest moon  
And Halloween will soon be here.  
New officers we'll nominate  
To serve our NUTS another year.

We've planned no special trip nor guest,  
the 18th is our Auction time--  
So bring your cash or check to buy---  
Each dollar spent gives NUTS a dime!!

Whatever you may be sure of, be sure of this: you are dreadfully like other people.

Nowadays the most brutal aspect of  
hunting is the cost of the license!

The Law of Household Geometry:  
Any horizontal surface is soon piled upon.

Jones Law of Publishing:  
Some errors will always go unnoticed  
until the book is printed.

Nothing is impossible to the man  
who doesn't have to do it himself.

Whatever you may be sure of,  
be sure of this: you are  
dreadfully like other people.

If there is a way to delay an  
important decision, any good  
bureaucracy (public or private)  
will find it.





OCTOBER 18th DRAWING

1. Osterloh's Penny Arcade, round, brass, good for 1¢ in trade.....R-1
  2. Two different Hyatt Dairy tokens, Parowan, Utah.....R-1  
Good for one gallon milk, round, aluminum
  3. Fisher Dairy, Salt Lake, square, aluminum.....R-3
  4. Daynes Jewelry, Salt Lake, Good Luck token, round, brass.....R-5
  5. American Legion Utah Dpt., Jr. Baseball, 1940, round, brass.....R-6
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INTERESTING NOTES FROM:

Since there are a few medal collectors among our ranks, I thought the following story might be of interest to others as it was to me.

National medals, according to Ed Rochette, are pretty far down on the popularity list of collectibles produced by the U.S.Mint. These medals, usually in gold, are authorized by Acts of Congress, to commemorate certain events in history or for outstanding personal service to the country. Sometimes the authorizing legislation also provides for bronze duplicates to be produced and offered by the Mint.

The latest of these medals honors Joe Louis, the Brown Bomber of boxing. After his death in 1981 legislation was introduced and authorized in 1982 but it was not until May 11, 1984 that bronze copies were made available to collectors. They are duplicates of the gold medal presented to the fighter's widow, Martha Louis, by President Reagan on that day.

Viewing the medal brings one back in time to the 1930's when tubed radios carried the fights far more vividly than color television of today. The blow-by-blow descriptions and constant patter by the deep-voiced announcers seemed to place the listener ringside and televised matches of today are pale in comparison to the mind pictures evoked by radio. Even though I am not a medal collector, I would surely like to see one as I remember the championship fight vividly and the reverse design shows the Heavyweight Champion of the World's Belt that Louis won on June 22, 1937 when he defeated Jimmy Braddock of Chicago. The design was selected from a competition and was submitted by an 11th grade Detroit student, David Redmond. It was put in model form by Edgar Steever, a Mint staffer. The obverse design is a portrait of Joe Louis which should be familiar to all fight fans and was sculpted by Michael Iacocca of the Philadelphia Mint. The bronze medal is silver-dollar-sized and can be ordered from the U.S. Mint.

(from the September 1984 COIN WHOLESALER)





FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

Dear NUTS,

This coming month will be a busy one. First, we have an Auction at our October 18th meeting. As far as I can tell, we have about 25 to 30 items up for sale to the highest bidder. Bring your checkbooks and billfolds and get ready for some stiff competition! There will be plenty of time to view the lots before the bidding begins, and there are some good tokens up for sale.

Secondly, I'd like to remind the Club members of the Utah Numismatic Society's Coin Show to be held October 26th, 27th and 28th, and to encourage our Club members to put a display in the Coin Show. The show will start at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 26th, and displays can be set up on Thursday night before the show. There is an application blank in this Token Hunter for you to fill out if you wish to enter the Show. The application must be returned to me on Thursday, October 18th, at our meeting. There is no cost to enter a display and the trophies are GREAT! Last year we had several of our members put in displays and they did very well. Personally, I'm going to do one on Pony Express Medals, so come on and join in the fun!

You should all know about the Club meeting being moved up one week early this month since it was mentioned in the September Token Hunter and also at the September meeting. If, however, you didn't know about it, consider this a notice. Please come on time (7:15 p.m.) and bring some traders to deal with other members after the meeting.

Our last meeting was great. We all had a chance to get better acquainted with each other---it was a great "chicken" meeting! If you don't know what that is, talk to someone who was there!

About one-half of the tokens that Dave Freed and I bought from the hoard that was found have been sold. It just goes to show you the market is very active.

Now, for some of you members that feel you just can't seem to find any of the items you need for your collection, JUST DON'T GIVE UP! If you need a boost, just ask George Wilson about his "saloon"!!

Bob Campbell,  
President

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Let's have a warm welcome for new members, NORMAN JOHNSON, and the ALLAN ARVESETH family. They were both in attendance at our September meeting and we are looking forward to seeing them often.

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Welcome back also to A.J. CARLSON whose health seems to be improving and who attended the September meeting. We've sure missed you, A.J., and hope to see you this month.

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THE STORY OF JESSE KNIGHT, "MORMON WIZARD"  
by George Wilson, Wagonmaster



The mining history of Utah is filled with rags to riches success stories, but none quite like that of Jesse Knight.

Jesse's father, Newel, was an early convert to the L.D.S. Church. He had followed the Church as it made its journey westward. When the Mormons made Illinois their new home, Newel Knight made it his home as well. So it was in Nauvoo, Illinois on September 6, 1845 that Jesse Knight was born--the last of the children born to Newel and Lydia Knight.

When the new leader of the Church, Brigham Young, called for the Saints to move westward again, Newel Knight and his family were among the first to answer. The journey was long and hard and when Lydia Knight arrived in the Salt Lake valley, her children were fatherless.

From the time the Knight family arrived in Deseret, they knew only hardship. Lydia Knight supported her children by teaching sewing and washing. Jesse did his best to help his family as he searched for Sego Lily roots and herded cows for his mother's neighbors. By the time he was eleven he was already doing what many considered to be a man's work as he loaded winter firewood for his pay.

When Jesse reached his 16th birthday, his family had once again heeded the call of the Prophet and had moved their home from the Salt Lake valley to the Provo area. But the move did not change their fortunes. Jesse found work in a nearby logging camp but he still watched as his mother sewed and wove long after the rest of the family had gone to sleep. As Jesse watched, he searched his mind "if only there were some way to make life easier for his mother and family". Life continued on in much the same way for him.

In 1869, a change did come to Jesse's life. On January 18th he married Amanda McEwan. He had managed to buy a small farm near Payson and now he set about providing for a new family. Before many years had passed Jesse had become the father of 4 daughters and 3 sons. Events would soon change his life forever.

When the well at the Knight farm became poisoned, Jesse's children soon were seriously ill and Jennie, their youngest daughter, was near death. Jesse sent for the doctor who told him there was no hope for her. No sooner had the doctor left when Amanda began to plead with her husband to send for the Mormon Elders. If only the Elders would come and administer to the child she might live.

Jesse Knight would have no part of it. Through all the years he had taken no part in the Church. He had not participated and had even argued against it on several occasions. To call for the Elders now seemed hypocritical to him. But young Jennie made an almost miraculous recovery. Jesse and his wife were amazed and very happy until their oldest daughter, Minnie, confided to her mother that she had prayed the night her sister lay near death and told the Lord that if he would spare her younger sister's life, he could take her life instead. "Now I have only thirty days to live", she said. The Knights wouldn't believe what they had heard but slowly Minnie weakened and on the 30th day, she died.







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Jesse was devastated. The most valued part of his life had always been his family and now part of it was gone. He hadn't ever done much praying but now he pleaded with God not to take any more of his children. He promised that day that he would return to the Church and that he would share all he had with the Church if only his children would be spared. When Jesse finished his prayer, he immediately sent for the Elders. Each of the children received a blessing at the hands of the Elders and one by one they all recovered.

Jesse Knight became a changed man. There was no stronger defender of Mormonism and no better Church member. Still poverty dogged his heels. If only there was a way to make more money. It was then he decided to try his hand at prospecting in the nearby Tintic Mountains.

(to be continued next month)



NOTE: OCTOBER 18TH IS AUCTION TIME--

Good items as listed below--

Absolutely no junk

No items less than \$1 value

GOING.....

GOING.....

GONE

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|---|---|
| 1. Mills Novelty Co. clover cut-out....R-4  | 14. Oxford Resort,Eureka,Ut.....R-2     |
| 2. C.H.C. Park City.....R-3                 | 15. Miners Pool Hall,Copperfield.____   |
| 3. Al Swain, SLC.....R-1                    | GF 12½¢                                 |
| 4. W.A., Park City.....R-2                  | 16. Rumph's, SLC.....R-8                |
| 5. Z #9, Park City.....R-4                  | 17. Monty & Lujan, Ogden, Ut.....R-6    |
| 6. Virtuola 5¢ Cigar Label.....             | 18. Bennett Gas & Oil,SLC,.....R-1      |
| 7. Quaker Cigar Label.....                  | 19. Mills Novelty Co.,SLC.....R-1       |
| 8. Grand Council Tobacco Label.....         | 20. Mills & Campbell, SLC.....R-10(R-8) |
| 9. 6 different telephone tokens.....        | 21. Coombs Drug, SLC.....R-1            |
| 10. Burns Pool Hall,Copperfield,GF 5¢...R-4 | 22. Kenyon Club, SLC.....R-10(R-1)      |
| 11. Riley's Place, SLC, GF 5¢.....R-7       | 23. S & C, Park City, Ut.....R-1        |
| 12. Riley's Place, SLC, GF 12½¢.....R-7     | 24. Pony Express Medal.....             |
| 13. Mint Resort, SLC.....R-7                | 25. Sterling silver spoon, approx.____  |
|   | 1 oz. silver                            |



Exhibit Rules & Regulations

1. Exhibits must be entered in one of the following categories:
  1. U.S. Coins      3. Currency (U.S. & Foreign)
  2. Foreign Coins      4. Tokens      5. Junior      6. Miscellaneous
2. A.N.A. point system will be used in judging as follows:
  - a. Numismatic information measured in terms of educational value to the viewer..... 35
  - b. Arrangements and originality, manner of presentation. 30
  - c. Completeness, range, scope and variety of coverage shown by the exhibit as it relates to the exhibit title or theme..... 15
  - d. Condition, quality of exhibited material compared to the highest known quality of like material..... 10
  - e. Rarity, considering condition of exhibited material.. 10
3. Trophies will be awarded by Exhibit Chairman to 1st and 2nd place in each category. People's Choice, & Best of Show. All other exhibitors will receive a token participation award.
4. Exhibitors are limited to members of a Utah State coin club and only one exhibit. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first reserved basis according to these rules until all available space is allocated. Applications will be accepted until ten (10) days before show date.
5. Exhibits must be set up by noon on first day of show and removed any time after 1:00 p.m., but not later than two (2) hours before closing the last day of show.

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(PLEASE PRINT)

APPLICATION TO EXHIBIT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a member of \_\_\_\_\_  
Utah coin club, desire to exhibit in the Utah State Coin Show and agree to the rules and regulations. I understand that neither the Society nor its officers are liable for any loss or damage to my exhibit.

Category: (Check one) #1 \_\_\_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_\_\_ #3 \_\_\_\_\_ #4 \_\_\_\_\_ #5 \_\_\_\_\_

Size of exhibit or other special requirements \_\_\_\_\_

I will, will not, (cross out one) need a case for my exhibit. (Case size is 22" x 34")

Mail to:  
EXHIBIT CHAIRMAN  
UTAH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 15054  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)





# \* \* THE MARKETPLACE \* \*

One or more of these box areas may be purchased for the Buy-Sell-Trade by Members or Non-Members. Cost is \$4.00 per box for 2 months. Send Ad and check by 10th of the month to 6143 Rainy Lane, Murray, Ut. 84107



## WANTED: MORMON MEDALS AND TOKENS

Especially Pioneer Jubilee medals of 1897 and tokens with the Mormon Temple on the reverse.

I am putting together a catalog of all known "Mormon" medals & tokens and any information would also be very helpful.

Bob Campbell  
ALL ABOUT COINS  
(formerly) Wally's Coin Shop  
1123 East 2100 South  
Salt Lake City, Ut.  
467-8636

## WANT TO BUY:

Tokens, etc. from SanPete Co., Utah. Also want Idaho tokens from Jerome, Twin Falls & Gooding counties.

Edith Attebury  
1675 W. 800 So.  
SLC, Ut. 84104

Phone: 973-8446

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Who needs the beef?  
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Tokens from any place!

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David I. Freed

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